

**SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**AUGUST 31, 2003**

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Commissioners  
Sabine River Compact Administration  
States of Texas and Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Sabine River Compact Administration, a component unit of the State of Texas and State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2003. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Administration's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Sabine River Compact Administration as of August 31, 2003, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 and 4 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 1, 2003, on our consideration of the Sabine River Compact Administration's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

*Broussard, Poche, Lewis & Green LLP*

Lafayette, Louisiana  
October 1, 2003

**SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

This section of the Sabine River Compact Administration (SRCA) annual financial report presents a discussion and analysis of SRCA's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended August 31, 2003. Please read this section in conjunction with SRCA's financial statements, which follow this section.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

SRCA's net assets overall increased from \$28,275 to \$30,268 or 7% from August 31, 2002 to August 31, 2003. The main reason for this change was the increase in intergovernmental transfers, which fluctuate depending on levels of the individual state operating appropriations and the decrease in general government activities.

SRCA's intergovernmental revenues increased from \$58,012 to \$60,460 or 5% from August 31, 2002 to August 31, 2003. General government expenses decreased to \$58,929 from \$61,073 or 4% for the year ended August 31, 2003.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial report consists of three parts: *Management's Discussion and Analysis* (this section), the basic financial statements, and the notes to the financial statements.

The basic financial statements present information for SRCA as a whole, in a format designed to make the statement easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the assets and liabilities. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net assets and may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of SRCA is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how SRCA's assets changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net assets are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, transactions are recorded that will not affect cash until future periods.

The financial statements provide information about SRCA's overall financial status. The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

SRCA's financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period in which they are incurred. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of SRCA are included in the Statement of Net Assets.

## **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

### **Net Assets**

SRCA's total net assets at August 31, 2003 changed by \$1,993 a 7% increase from August 31, 2002. Total assets increased 56% to \$62,112 and total liabilities increased 175% to \$31,844.

### **Changes in Net Assets**

The change in net assets at August 31, 2003 is \$1,993 or 7% more than at August 31, 2002. SRCA's total revenues and transfers increased by 4% to \$60,922 and total general government expenses decreased 4% to \$58,929. The general government expenses are detailed below.

#### **SRCA's General Government Expenses**

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
General government expenses:		
Secretary	\$ 3,450	\$ 8,900
Treasurer	1,800	1,800
Water resources investigation	51,981	48,290
Audit fees	1,100	1,100
Other	<u>598</u>	<u>983</u>
Total	<u>\$ 58,929</u>	<u>\$ 61,073</u>

### **CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, DECISIONS, OR CONDITIONS**

There are currently no known facts, decisions or conditions that are expected to have a significant effect on financial position or results of operations.

### **CONTACTING SRCA'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide our legislatures, state officials, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Office, patrons and other interested parties with a general overview of SRCA's finances and to demonstrate SRCA's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Bambi Granger at 409-746-2192.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS  
August 31, 2003 and 2002

ASSETS	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 31,844</u>	<u>\$ 11,606</u>
Total liabilities	<u>31,844</u>	<u>11,606</u>
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	<u>30,268</u>	<u>28,275</u>
Total net assets	<u>30,268</u>	<u>28,275</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
Years Ended August 31, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
EXPENSES:		
Governmental activities -		
General government	<u>\$ (58,929)</u>	<u>\$ (61,073)</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>(58,929)</u>	<u>(61,073)</u>
GENERAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS:		
Intergovernmental transfers	60,460	58,012
Interest	<u>462</u>	<u>672</u>
Total general revenues and transfers	<u>60,922</u>	<u>58,684</u>
Change in net assets	1,993	(2,389)
Net assets, at beginning	<u>28,275</u>	<u>30,664</u>
Net assets, at ending	<u>\$ 30,268</u>	<u>\$ 28,275</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.



SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

BALANCE SHEETS  
August 31, 2003 and 2002

ASSETS	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Accounts payable	\$ 31,844	\$ 11,606
Fund balance - undesignated	<u>30,268</u>	<u>28,275</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 62,112</u>	<u>\$ 39,881</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
Years Ended August 31, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Revenues:		
Intergovernmental	\$ 60,460	\$ 58,012
Interest	<u>462</u>	<u>672</u>
Total revenues	60,922	58,684
Expenditures:		
General government	<u>58,929</u>	<u>61,073</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,993	(2,389)
Fund balance, beginning	<u>28,275</u>	<u>30,664</u>
Fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 30,268</u>	<u>\$ 28,275</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended August 31, 2003

With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended August 31, 2002

	2003		Variance With Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	2002 Actual
	Original and Final Budget	Actual		
Revenues:				
Intergovernmental -				
Contributions:				
State of Texas	\$ 30,230	\$ 30,230	\$ -	\$ 29,006
State of Louisiana	30,230	30,230	-	29,006
Interest income	-	462	462	672
Total revenues	60,460	60,922	462	58,684
Expenditures:				
General government -				
Maintenance - office of:				
Secretary	4,300	3,450	850	8,900
Treasurer	1,800	1,800	-	1,800
Water resources				
investigation	51,360	51,981	(621)	48,290
Audit fees	2,000	1,100	900	1,100
Other	1,000	598	402	983
Total expenditures	60,460	58,929	1,531	61,073
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ -0-	1,993	\$ 1,993	(2,389)
Fund balance, beginning		28,275		30,664
Fund balance, ending		\$ 30,268		\$ 28,275

See Notes to Financial Statements.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of presentation:

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles (GAAP) generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting principles and financial reporting standards.

This financial report has been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, *"Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Government,"* issued in June 1999.

Reporting entity:

The Sabine River Compact Administration, a component unit of the State of Texas and State of Louisiana, is an entity formed by a compact entered into by the State of Texas and the State of Louisiana on January 26, 1953, under authority granted by an Act of the Congress of the United States approved November 1, 1951, (Public Law No. 252, 82nd Congress, First Session). The Act was amended on October 30, 1992 (Public Law No. 102-575 of the 102 Congress). The objective of the Compact is to provide equitable apportionment of the waters of the Sabine River and its tributaries between the two states. The operation is administered by an Inter-State Administrative Agency composed of two members appointed by the Governor of Texas and two members appointed by the Governor of Louisiana; and one member, as representative of the United States appointed by the President of the United States, which member shall be ex-officio chairman of the Administration without vote and shall not be a domiciliary of or resident in either state.

Measurement focus/basis of accounting:

Government-wide financial statements (GWFS):

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the Administration.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The GWFS were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *"Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions."*

### Fund financial statements:

Governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the statement of net assets. The statement of activities reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the GWFS are prepared; however, there are no differences between the GWFS and the fund financial statements as of and for the year ended August 31, 2003.

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Administration. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type.

Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

The two major sources of revenues are intergovernmental and interest. Both of these are susceptible to accrual.

### Budgets:

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund. The budget is prepared by the Sabine River Compact Administration management for formal approval by the Board of Commissioners. Any amendments to the original budget are approved by the Board of Commissioners. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended.

### Cash:

Cash consists of amounts in interest bearing deposit accounts.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2. Deposits

The carrying amount of deposits was \$62,112 and \$39,881 and the bank balance was \$62,112 and \$39,881 at August 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The entire bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance.



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### **REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Board of Commissioners,  
Sabine River Compact Administration  
States of Texas and Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Sabine River Compact Administration, a component unit of the State of Texas and State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated October 1, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Administration's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Administration's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that

would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

*Broussard, Poché, Lewis & Greene LLP*

Lafayette, Louisiana  
October 1, 2003



SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended August 31, 2003

We have audited the financial statements of Sabine River Compact Administration as of and for the year ended August 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated October 1, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our audit of the financial statements as of August 31, 2003 resulted in an unqualified opinion.

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Reports

A. Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

Internal Control

Material Weaknesses      ☐ Yes    ☒ No  
Reportable Conditions    ☐ Yes    ☒ None Reported

Compliance

Compliance Material to Financial Statements    ☐ Yes    ☒ No

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

No matters were reported.

SABINE RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR FINDINGS  
For the Year Ended August 31, 2003

Section I. Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

None reported.

Section II. Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

Not applicable.

Section III. Management Letter

The prior year's report did not include a management letter.